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## **REQUEST**

The Examiner is requested to acknowledge receipt and approval of the formal drawings filed October 14, 2003. The applicants presume the Examiner's comment that "All previous Objections and Rejections are hereby moot in view of applicant's amendments" on page 2 of the Notice of Allowability includes the previous objection to

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